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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for any and all extensions of time necessary within which to file the accompanying Request for Continued Examination.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$980 to the Deposit Account 19-4293 for balance of the three-month extension fee. A petition and fees for a one-month extension of time was filed on December 11, 2008. Should this fee be in error, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit or credit Deposit Account 19-4293.

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